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SUBJECT: JAPAN'S TRADE BY AREA AND COMMODITY - JUNE - PROVISIONAL

1. FOLLOWING ARE CUSTOMS DATA ON JAPAN'S JUNE TRADE BY
AREA AND COMMODITY PROMISED IN SEPTTEL.

2. COLUMN HEADINGS FOR ALL TABLES ARE AS FOLLOWS: (1)
JUNE 1976 VALUE IN MIL DOLLARS, (2) PERCENT INCREASE OVER
JUNE 1975. FIGURES FOR CUMULATIVE TRADE IN COMPARISON WITH
YAR AGO WILL BE PRESENTED IN USUAL MONTHLY B/P AIRGRAM
AT END OF EVERY QUARTER. PAREN AROUND ITEMS INDICATE THEY
ARE INCLUDED IN PRECEDING SUBGROUP.

3. TRADE BY AREA (1) (2)

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EXPORTS (F.O.B.)

| | | |
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| TOTAL EXPORTS | 5,731.9 | 28.5 |
| ADVANCED AREA | 2,646.8 | 50.7 |
| (U.S.) | 1,307.6 | 51.7 |
| (W. EUROPE) | 901.2 | 60.0 |
| DEVELOPING AREA | 2,868.1 | 17.6 |
| COMMUNIST AREA | 403.7 | MIN 4.1 |
| IMPORTS (C.I.F.) | | |
| TOTAL IMPORTS | 5,436.1 | 20.0 |
| ADVANCED AREA | 2,303.8 | 14.9 |
| (U.S.) | 994.1 | 3.2 |
| (W. EUROPE) | 414.1 | 10.3 |
| DEVELOPING AREA | 2,908.0 | 28.0 |
| COMMUNIST AREA | 224.3 | MIN 12.1 |

4. GLOBAL TRADE BY SPECIAL CLASSIFICATION:

| | (1) | (2) |
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| EXPORTS (F.O.B.) | | |
| TOTAL EXPORTS | 5,731.9 | 28.5 |
| MACHINERY | 3,317.0 | 39.7 |
| (MOTOR VEHICLES) | 760.5 | 41.9 |
| (PASSENGER CARS) | 507.1 | 43.1 |
| (MOTORCYCLES) | 82.6 | MIN 13.3 |
| (SHIPS) | 533.1 | 19.2 |
| IRON AND STEEL | 920.4 | 6.9 |
| CHEMICALS | 319.6 | 0.7 |
| IMPORTS (C.I.F.) | | |
| TOTAL IMPORTS | 5,436.1 | 20.0 |
| FOODSTUFFS | 849.4 | 17.1 |
| MINERAL MATERIALS | 409.4 | 7.8 |
| (IRON ORE) | 217.0 | 28.6 |
| (STEEL SCRAP) | 18.2 | MIN 61.1 |
| OTHER RAW MATERIALS | 561.6 | 16.4 |
| (SOYBEANS) | 62.8 | 1.5 |
| (LUMBER) | 291.9 | 18.7 |
| MINERAL FUELS | 2,281.7 | 22.6 |
| (CRUDE OIL) | 1,689.6 | 21.3 |
| (COAL) | 302.7 | 0.4 |
| MACHINERY | 368.5 | 8.2 |

5. CUSTOMS EXPORTS TO U.S. (F.O.B.) - SELECTED ITEMS:

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| | (1) | (2) |
|-----------------------|---------|-------|
| TOTAL EXPORTS TO U.S. | 1,307.6 | 51.7 |
| FOODSTUFFS | 21.4 | 102.3 |
| (FISH AND SHELLFISH) | 16.0 | 116.9 |
| COTTON FABRICS | 2.6 | 103.7 |
| SYNTHETIC TEXTILES | 12.7 | 54.6 |
| CLOTHING | 22.3 | 57.6 |
| CHEMICALS | 32.3 | 34.9 |

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| IRON AND STEEL | 182.1 | 22.3 |
| METAL PRODUCTS | 57.2 | 31.6 |
| MACHINERY | 834.5 | 58.9 |
| (OFFICE EQUIPMENT) | 29.5 | 65.3 |
| (TV'S) | 62.0 | 181.2 |
| (RADIOS) | 58.3 | 88.6 |
| (MOTOR VEHICLES) | 267.1 | 33.5 |
| (MOTORCYCLES) | 20.1 | MIN 60.1 |
| (OPTICAL INSTRUMENTS, INCLUDING CAMERAS | 50.4 | 52.4 |
| (TAPE RECORDERS) | 31.9 | 57.1 |

6. CUSTOMS IMPORTS NSOJWBEZ

MS. (C.I.F.) - SELECTED ITEMS:"04;

| | (1) | (2) |
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| TOTAL IMPORTS FROM U.S. | 994.1 | 3.2 |
| FOODSTUFFS | 227.6 | 19.9 |
| (BEEF) | 31.2 | 380.8 |
| (FISH AND SHELLFISH) | 4.9 MIN | 8.4 |
| (WHEAT) | 53.7 | 15.2 |
| (FEED CORN) | 59.2 MIN | 4.2 |
| (SORGHUM) | 17.3 | 67.3 |
| RAW COTTON | 22.2 MIN | 16.0 |
| METAL MATERIALS | 16.2 MIN | 62.2 |
| SOYBEANS | 59.9 | 0 |
| LUMBER | 108.1 MIN | 2.0 |
| MINERAL FUELS | 95.8 MIN | 42.5 |
| CHEMICALS | 99.8 | 64.5 |
| OFFICE EQUIPMENT | 22.5 | 37.6 |
| AIRCRAFT | 35.3 | 82.6 |
| NON-FERROUS METAL | 7.1 MIN | 28.8 |

7. ANALYSIS ON JUNE PRELIMINARY CUSTOMS TRADE DATA

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INDICATES THAT FOODSTUFFS, CRUDE MATERIALS AND CHEMICAL PRODUCTS HAVE BEEN MAJOR CONTRIBUTORS TO SHARP GAINS IN JUNE CUSTOMS IMPORTS. WITH RESPECT TO EXPORTS, GROWTH IN AUTO EXPORTS SLOWED DOWN SOMEWHAT IN JUNE, REPORTEDLY BECAUSE OF COMPLETION OF INVENTORY ADJUSTMENT IN THE U.S.: SHIPMENTS OF ELECTRIC APPLIANCES, ON THE OTHER HAND, ACCELERATED THEIR RATE OF INCREASE IN JUNE.

8. MOF OFFICIAL SAID JUNE CUSTOMS IMPORTS RECORDED MORE RAPID INCREASE THAN HAD BEEN ANTICIPATED. AFTER RELEASE OF JUNE PRELIMINARY TRADE DATA, OFFICIAL PREDICTED JAPAN'S IMPORTS (ON CUSTOMS BASIS) MIGHT INCREASE RAPIDLY, ALTHOUGH HE ADDED THAT ONE MONTH'S DATA (JUNE) ARE NOT YET ENOUGH TO CONFIRM THIS POSSIBILITY.

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